# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

## SB 851 - HB 1114

March 2, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires home health care services follow the recipients from the home into the community to provide services during routine activities of daily living which include, but are not limited to, outpatient medical appointments, school and other educational functions, employment and volunteer opportunities, and church or religious services.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,103,800

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$3,164,200

### Assumptions:

- According to the Bureau of TennCare, only private duty nurses are currently accompanying adult patients who are on ventilators or who have tracheotomies and need additional specified nursing services outside the home.
- TennCare estimates that the payment rates for home health aides will increase by five percent. Expenditures for home health aides in FY07-08 were \$85,360,000. A five percent increase will result in an increase in expenditures of \$4,268,000.
- Of that amount, \$1,103,790 will be state funds at a rate of 25.862 percent and \$3,164,210 will be federal funds at a match rate of 74.138 percent.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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